IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Blaise Bossy et al. Art Unit: 1643

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office action mailed July 5, 2006 and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 19, 2006, please reconsider this application in light of the following: Amendments to the claims set forth in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2; and

Remarks beginning on page 7.